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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/039,774	Applicant(s) WANG ET AL.	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 06 September 2007.

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c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: all.


Identification of prior art discussed: Mabry and Jorgensen.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: see below.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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The deficiencies in the claims presented in the amendment dated 19 July 2007 were noted by the Examiner and the Applicant was informed that the rejection of the claims would be final and prosecution was closed.

The Examiner and the Ms. Rosen subsequently reached an agreement on language that would define over Mabry/Jorgensen and which would be submitted with an RCE. Those changes are reflected in the amendment dated 12 September 2007.

Jorgensen falls far short of teaching the new claim limitations for the reasons stated in the amendment dated 12 September 2007. Additionally, the Examiner does not have teachings showing the particle shapes that are used in the rubber bales of the present invention, nor does the Examiner have any references other than Mabry which disclose bales of rubber having a high Mooney viscosity and which are compressed to low void volumes as are set forth. Specifically, Mabry does not disclose the claimed void volumes or the particle shapes in the bale.